The "Comparing Texas HMOs 1998" report card issued by Texas Office of Public Insurance Counsel provides consumers with the state average for a measure as a means of comparing individual health plan scores in regions of Texas.

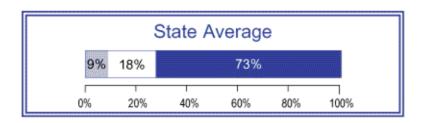
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## Doctors and medical care

## **Doctors who communicate** well with their patients

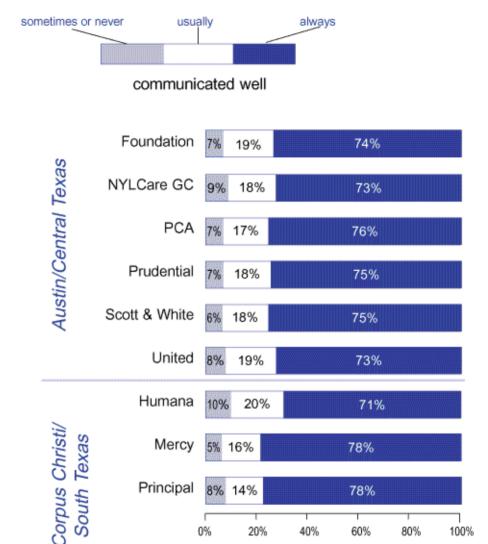
This graph shows answers to survey questions that asked people in each health plan how often their doctor or other health care professional:

- Listened carefully to them
- . Explained things in a way they could understand
- Showed respect for what they had to say
- . Involved them as much as they wanted in decisions about their health care



All answers are about experiences in the previous 6 months. People who had not been to see a doctor or other health professional in the previous 6 months did not answer these questions.

## Percent who said their doctors



The percentages shown on the bars are the average of answers to the 4 survey questions above.

40%

60%

100%